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Clarke Puts Out Welcome Mat For Moms, Dads This Weekend

Mothers and dads will claim the Clarke spotlight this weekend. Opening parents' weekend activities will be an informal dance held Saturday night in the gym and union. Clarke's queen mother will be selected by lot from the mothers present, at the dance, and will be crowned by the senior prom queen. Barbara Beuck is chairman of the social.

Classes Dismiss For Tree-Planting, Torch-Passing Day

Classes will be dismissed Thursday, May 24, for the celebration of College Day at Clarke.

Ceremonies will begin at 7:30 a.m. with High Mass in the Chapel of the Sacred Heart. The Rev. Cyril Reilly of Loras college will be the celebrant.

At 10 o'clock Nancy Schmitz will act as mistress of ceremonies at the annual tree-planting ceremony. As each senior breaks ground for the new tree she will recite an original dedication poem.

Formal dinner is scheduled for 5:30 in the dining room.

The symbolic torch-passing ceremony will be held at 8 p.m. on the front campus of Mary Frances Clarke hall. Leaders of classes, clubs and other organizations will pass the torch of authority to their successors.

Seniors will present their traditional farewell program in Terence Donaghoe hall at 8:30 p.m. Mary Dougherty and Marion Lifka are the authors of the skit which will be directed by Kathy Burke.

To end College Day the seniors will give their formal pledge to Alma Mater.

Picnics Planned by Clubs Promise Food 'n' Frolic

Picnic time for Clarke clubs will be within the next few weeks, according to the college calendar.

The Home Economics club will start the season with a picnic at Eagle Point park Tuesday evening at 5 o'clock. President Joanne Offerman is general chairman.

Audrey Thiel is in charge of the Press club picnic to be held at the park Wednesday from 4 to 7 p.m.

Members of the WAA will also be at Eagle Point park Wednesday for their annual picnic. Patricia Condon, president, is general chairman. Assisting her are Mary Clare Weber, entertainment; Diana Borst, habilitation; Lorna Butters, transportation, and Patricia Beatty, refreshments.

Potential Queens

for tonight's senior prom are, left to right, Barbara Beuck, Hartington, Nebr.; Marion Lifka, Berkeley, Ill.; Joanne Offerman, Dubuque; Kathy Holland, Warren, Ill., and Charlotte Major, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Lay Advisor Honored For Business Success

John M. Joyce, member of Clarke's lay advisory board, has been named the winner of the annual "Horatio Alger Award" in a national poll conducted by the American Schools and Colleges Association of New York.

Joyce, whose home is in Joliet, Ill., was one of the pioneers of the soft drink "Seven Up." He is president of Joyce Seven-Up Bottlers, Inc.

Bernard Baruch presented the award to Mr. Joyce yesterday. The "Horatio Alger Award" was established as an inspiration to youth that "rags to riches" opportunities are still available in American free enterprise.

Joyce had to leave the eighth grade to help support the family as a messenger boy. He worked seven nights a week, 11 hours each night, for \$4.61 per week.

Judges To Select Best Entries In Annual Writing, Art Contests

Judges for the annual writing and art contests have been announced in connection with awards to be presented at honors convocation next Thursday afternoon.

Essays will be judged by the Rev. Vincent P. McCorry, S.J., author and contributing editor of *America*. The Rev. James J. Donohue, poet and professor of English at Loras college, will judge the poetry.

A Clarke alumna, Miss Peggy Sullivan, will select the best short story. Miss Sullivan, who edited the *Labarum* as a senior, is an author of children's books and a contributor to a forthcoming Sheed and Ward story collection.

The literary awards have been established by the late Mary Blake Finan, an alumna of Clarke. A prize of \$10 is given in each division.

Winners of the Colonel Wallace A. Mead editorial awards will be selected by the Rev. Gerald Shekleton, assistant editor of the *Witness*, Dubuque diocesan newspaper. The awards, established by Mrs. Wallace A. Mead in tribute to her husband, total \$25.

Mr. Anton Harazin, of the art department at Jefferson junior high school, will judge the fine arts and advertising art entries. Prizes of \$10

Senior Queen Presides Tonight In Classical Prom Atmosphere

Clarkites will dance in the classic setting of a Grecian garden tonight at the senior prom to be held in the college gym from 9 to 12. Joe Glattly's orchestra from Iowa City will provide the music for the formal.

Marble pillars, statues and busts of Grecian statesmen will be set against a backdrop of murals. Centerpiece will be a ball of artificial spring flowers and leaves suspended from the ceiling.

Senior class president Sara McAlpin is general chairman of the dance. Responsible for the decoration plans are Virginia Coogan and Kathy Holland.

Highlight of the evening will be the crowning of the prom queen at

11 o'clock. Queen candidates, selected by the senior class, are Barbara Beuck, Hartington, Nebr.; Kathy Holland, Warren, Ill.; Charlotte Major, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Marion Lifka, Berkeley, Ill., and Joanne Offerman, Dubuque.

Select Queen

Tonight's queen was determined in a secret all-college vote last week but her identity will not be disclosed until crowning time. In keeping with the prom theme, the queen's crown will be a laurel wreath of lemon leaves and white flowers.

Audrey Thiel has planned the coronation ceremony with the assistance of Margaret Koob, Jane Sorenson and Mary Kay Jacobson.

Design Bids

Bids, in the shape of miniature pillars, will also carry out the classic theme. On the bid committee are chairman Mary Jeanne Giellis, Marion Lifka, Donna Becker, Linde O'Loan and Joyce Vogler.

On the decoration committee are Anne Horton, Kathy Burke, Mary Dougherty, Kathleen Sullivan, Mary Ann Kane, Marice Moylan, Geri Rogalski, Mary Lou Schuller, Lois Connelly and Patricia Dietzler.

Charlotte Major heads the refreshments committee. Assisting her are

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Original Musical To Be Presented For Parents' Day

Forty students are cast in *Woman of the Year*, an original musical playlet written and directed by Mr. George Herman of the Clarke drama department, which will be presented Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Terence Donaghoe hall as part of the parents' day program.

Musical director for the production is Sister Mary Matilde, BVM, chairman of the music department. Sister Mary Floriana, BVM, Glee Club director, is in charge of choral work.

Name Student Directors

Mary Hilger is responsible for the musical arrangements in the show. Sue Ahrold has planned the choreography and Joan Whitehead has designed the scenery.

The lead character of Susan O'Keefe will be sung by Dolores Reihle. Rosaleen McEnany is cast as Elaine Bickford and Elaine Shea as Claudia O'Keefe. Supporting roles are played by Mary Jo Caliguri, Roseanne Vitullo, Deanne Herron, Rita Hughes, Karen Morrow, Carol Blitgen and Sharon O'Donnell.

Form Greek Chorus

In the Greek chorus are Sue Kelly, Dorothea Durkin, Patricia Condon, Betty Barrett, Gerry Hanten, Dolores McWilliams, Elaine Mraz, Colleen O'Meara, Jeanette Hogan, Patricia Strouhal, Margaret Crane, Mary Marinich, JoAnn Bennis and Patricia Giegerich.

A second chorus is made up of Carol Ullius, Eileen Lavery, Colleen Howard, Ruth Buenker, Nancy Sinnott and Rita Klemm.

Dancers will be Jo Ann Walden, Marian Howie, Mary Lou Barry, Mary Ann Ludwig, Ann Marshall and Helen Kane.

Jrs. Entertain Srs. At Farewell Party

Juniors will entertain the senior class at a farewell party and program next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in the activity room of Mary Frances Clarke hall. General chairman is Mary Ann McGovern.

Co-chairmen Patricia Conway and Marge Schlink are planning the entertainment. Assisting them are Mary Ann Walsh, Beverly Poire, Sue Gillespie and Carol De Roo.

Joan Wagner is chairman of the gifts committee. She will be aided by Nita Allman and Kathy Au-Young.

Anna Mae Weber heads the refreshments committee. In her group are Mary Jane Thornton, Mary Cosgrove, Marilyn Meusel, Victoria Rhomberg and Jacqueline Fu.

Rehabilitation will be supervised by Sue Turnis. On her committee are Maureen Sullivan, Carol Splear, Ann McDermott, Louise King and Dolores McWilliams.



Alum Remembers Clarke With Bequest of \$2,000

As her final gift to Clarke college Mary Blake Finan, Chicago alumna who died last year, left a bequest of \$2,000. The money will be added to the building fund, Sister Mary Anne Leone, BVM, college president, has announced.

A member of the class of 1893, Mrs. Finan donated the first thousand dollars to the building drive when the project was announced in September of 1954. She also established at Clarke the literary awards which bear her name.

Student Support

to the building program is manifested by the check for \$1000 which was recently presented to Sister Mary Joseph Therese, BVM, superior, by Maureen Sullivan, Fort Dodge, treasurer of the SLC. The money was the proceeds from the Stan Freeman concert sponsored in the fall.

Concertos, Arias To Be Presented By Music Students

The Clarke College music department will present its annual spring concerto-aria recital Sunday, May 20, at 1:30 p.m. in Terence Donaghe hall.

Three two-piano numbers are included in the program. Catherine Hsu and Katherine Au-Young will present the Concerto Op. 73 in E-flat. The allegro moderato movement of Grieg's Concerto Op. 16 in A-minor will be played by Dorothea Durkin and Jeanette Hogan. Katherine Au-Young and Catherine Hsu will return to the stage to present Tschaikowsky's Concerto Op. 23 in B-flat minor.

Arias from four popular operas will be sung by vocal students. Dolores McWilliams' selection will be O Mio Babbino Caro from Gianni Schicchi by Puccini. Micaela's aria from Bizet's Carmen will be offered by Barbara Bernoudy. Verdi's Fierce Flames Are Soaring from Il Traviatore will be presented by Patricia Condon. Sue Kelly will sing Joan's Aria from Jeanne d'Arc by Tschaikowsky.

Accompanists are Katherine Au-Young, Elaine Mraz, Colleen O'Meara and Geraldine Hanten.

Contest Judges

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The music prize of \$25 was established by Mrs. Velvet G. Haines, Arlington, Va., in memory of her mother, a former Clarke student. The winner is selected by the faculty members in the music department on the basis of contribution and cooperation.

The winner of the \$25 drama award will also be named by faculty members in that department. The award was established by Mrs. N. P. Creamer, Cedar Rapids alumna, in tribute to her three Clarke daughters.



Editorial Pointers are given by Beverly Wakeen, left, LaCrosse, Wis., to Joan Wagner, Bellevue, recently appointed editor of the Courier. Miss Wagner will take over the position next year.

Faculty Members Speak, Attend Conventions

Mr. Edmund Demers, professor of art at Clarke, was a guest lecturer at Viterbo College, LaCrosse, Wis., last Friday evening. His illustrated lecture, "Is Art Necessary," was part of a five-day program on the fine arts sponsored annually by Viterbo.

Sister Mary Joseph Aloysius, BVM, chairman of the classics department, attended a meeting of the Iowa Classical Conference at the State University of Iowa in Iowa City Apr. 28.

Representing Clarke at a convention of the National Catholic Music Educators association in Boston, Mass., Apr. 29 to May 2, was Sister Mary Christiane, BVM, of the piano department.

Senior Prom

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Nancy Schmitz, Helen Kane and Sue Kelly. Punch will be served in the union.

Parents of all seniors have been invited to chaperone the prom. Invitations were issued by chairman Dorothy McIntee, Nancy Miller and Nancy Kneeland.

Publicity for the dance was planned by chairman Beverly Wakeen with the help of Rita Klemm, Barbara Beuck, Dorothea Durkin and Nancy Steffen. Joanne Offerman was chairman of the orchestra committee.

Rehabilitation will be taken care of by all seniors tomorrow morning and Monday.

Students Complete SLC Roster Choose Class, Club Presidents

Karen Morrow, sophomore drama major from Des Moines, was elected treasurer of the Student Leadership Council in an all-college balloting last week. She defeated Mary Catherine Blake, Hammond, Ind., for the office.

Miss Morrow is presently secretary of the Council.

New SLC Secretary is freshman Jeanne Miclot, Davenport. Her opponent for the office was Mona Putnam, St. Paul, Minn.

Patricia Conway, Boone, and Mary Molsinger, Clinton, were previously elected president and vice-president of the SLC. The four new officers will be installed at the honors convocation May 17.

Elect Sodality Prefect

Carol Splear, junior biology major from Pontiac, Ill., will succeed Nancy Kneeland, Postville, as prefect of the college sodality. Miss Splear served as vice-prefect this year.

Courier editor Beverly Wakeen has announced that Joan Wagner, junior from Bellevue, has been appointed editor for the coming year. An English major and journalism minor, Miss Wagner has been on the Courier staff for the past three years.

Leads Incoming Seniors

President of the class of 1957 will be Maurita Brady, mathematics major from Downers Grove, Ill. She is now treasurer of the junior class.

Biology majors Beverly Poire, Du-

English Major Awarded Marquette Assistantship

Marice Moylan, senior English major from Hammond, Ind., has been awarded an assistantship at Marquette university in Milwaukee. She will study for her master's degree in English.

Associate editor of the Courier, Miss Moylan is also on the staff of the Labarum and is president of the Press club.

Four senior biology majors have been accepted for medical technology internship next year. To St. Joseph's hospital in Kansas City, Mo., will go Donna Becker, Davenport; Charlotte Major, Chattanooga, Tenn., and Kathy Holland, Warren, Ill.

Mary Jeanne Giellis, Dubuque, will intern at Minneapolis General hospital.

Margaret Koob and Joyce Vogler, Dubuque biology majors, will continue their studies in physical therapy next year. Miss Koob will attend Stanford university in Palo Alto, Calif., and Miss Vogler will study at the University of Iowa.



Combining Talents in a joint art show in Eliza Kelly hall this week are Marice Moylan, left, Hammond, Ind., and Kathy Sullivan, Hanover, Ill.

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Class Queens Crown Our Lady In Campus Ceremonies Sunday

The Blessed Virgin Mary will be honored on Mother's Day as the four classes participate in coronation ceremonies that will climax parents weekend. A queen chosen from each class will crown Our Lady at one of her campus shrines while class members form the procession.

Our Lady of the Sunset on the campus behind Mary Frances Clarke hall will be crowned by Carol Splear from Pontiac, Ill. The juniors attending her will be Patricia Conway, Kathy A. Young and Elaine Mraz. Mary Lourdes Conway will be the crown-bearer.

Sophomore Crowns

Sophomores elected Carol Nilles, Cedar Rapids, to crown the statue of Our Lady of the Moonlight on the campus off Rose O'Toole hall. Attendants are Joyce Carney, Dollie Determan, Mary Jo O'Connor, Roseanne Vitullo, Mary Clare Weber and Judy Werthmann.

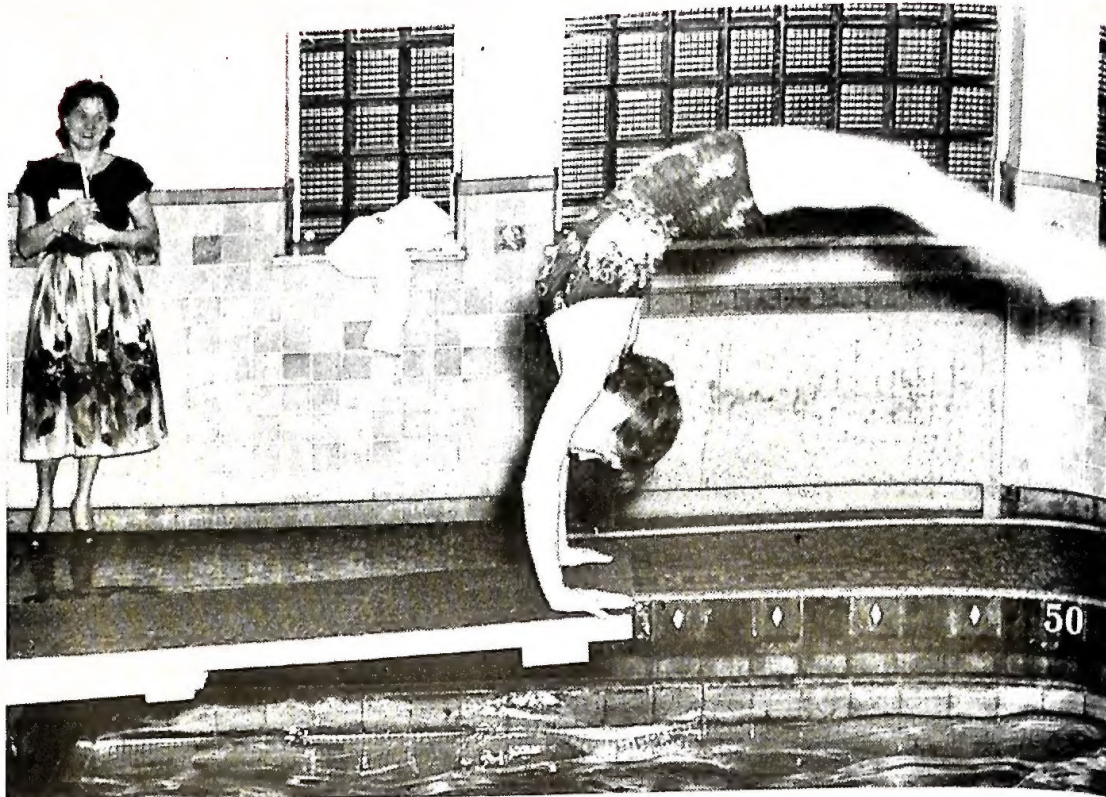
Deanna Murphy, freshman from

East Dubuque, Ill., will crown Our Lady of Lourdes in front of Eliza Kelly hall. Her attendants will be Margaret Kuhn, Mary Frost and Margaret Crane.

Prefect Officers

Climax of the crownings will come when Nancy Kneeland, sodality prefect from Postville, crowns Our Lady before parents and students in Terence Donaghoe hall. Attendants will be Kathy Holland, Marion Lifka, Dorothy McIntee and Mary Dougherty.

All students, faculty and parents will be present for Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament following the senior coronation. The Rev. Clarence Friedman, college chaplain, will officiate.



Stunt Dive which helped to win the swimming trophy for the sophomore class is performed by Gadge Conway, Boone. In the background is Mrs. Ang Kerper, swimming instructor, who announced events for the tournament Apr. 26.

Sophs Beat Frosh by .9 Margin At Intramural Swimming Meet

By Lorraine Conway

Sophomores swam off with the college trophy at the annual intramural swimming meet in the Clarke pool Apr. 26 when they nosed out the freshmen with less than a point to spare. Final score was 180.7 for the sophomores and 179.84 for the freshmen.

Juniors trailed with a 168.7 score. Seniors did not enter a team in the tournament.

First place was given to the freshmen on the night of the tournament but a recount resulted in a transfer of championship rights to the sophs. This is the second year that the Class of 1958 has won the trophy.

Individual as well as class honors

were taken by the sophomores. Mariclaire Costello was high scorer for the evening. Freshman Ann Marshall, who made the best scores in the diving events, was second and junior Lil Weigley placed third.

Junior Pat Haskins was the victor in the back crawl event, with Mariclaire Costello placing second and Mary Ann Ludwig third. Pat also defeated Joyce Carney and Mary Ann Ludwig in the breast stroke contest.

Barb Bertsch, freshman, took first over Marge Schlink and Mariclaire Costello in the crawl. In the over-arm side stroke Barb defeated Pat Haskins and Stephanie Simon.

Wins First Place

First place in the inverted breast stroke event went to junior Nita Allman. Joyce Carney took second and Mary Ann Ludwig third.

Marge Schlink won the side stroke event for the juniors. Barb Bertsch placed second and Barb McClure third. Junior Lil Weigley defeated Gadge Conway and Barb Bertsch in the underwater contest.

Take Relay Honors

Freshmen took relay honors with their trio made up of Pat Oberembt, Ginny Roth and Barb Bertsch. Sophs placed second with JoAnn Walden, Marilyn Owen and Mariclaire Costello. Junior swimmers were Joanne Ely, Lil Weigley and Marge Schlink.

In the events "just for fun" the juniors came out ahead. Joanne Ely won the ping-pong ball race, Lil Weigley took the bicycle race, and Marge Schlink and Lil placed first in the three-legged race.

Ann Marshall won the lighted candle race for the freshmen. Other swimmers in these events were Mary Schultz, Barb Bertsch, Jo Walden, Marilyn Owen and Nita Allman.

Combine Talents

Sophomores Judy Werthmann and Gadge Conway combined talents to win the stunt dive. Ginny Roth and Ann Marshall took second place for the freshmen and Lil Weigley soloed for third place.

Demonstrating form in other dives were Ann Marshall, Mariclaire Costello, Ginny Roth and Lil Weigley.

Mariclaire Costello was the "smartie" in the swimming spell-down contest. Mrs. Ang Kerper, swimming instructor at Clarke, announced the events. Judges were Mrs. Wilbur Dalzell, former physical education instructor at Clarke; Mrs. Andrew Bodnar, present instructor in physical education, and Mrs. John Rollins, swimming instructor for the local chapter of the American Red Cross.

Scorekeepers were Carol Splear, Marty Lyons and Marlene Brunkhost.

Cecilian Circle Discusses Contemporary Musicians

Contemporary American music was the theme of the program presented by the Cecilian Circle at an open meeting last evening in the activity room.

An introduction to and survey of contemporary music in America was presented by Sue Kelly, president of the club. A program followed in which the works of 11 contemporary American composers were illustrated.

Pianists Jeanette Hogan, Elaine Mraz and JoAnn Bennis played selections by George Gershwin, Norman Dello Joio and Kent Kennan.

Vocalists on the program were Marilyn Mootz, Margaret Crane, Patricia Condon, Elaine Shea, JoAnn Bennis, Betty Barrett, Barbara Bernoudy, Sue Kelly and Patricia Strouhal.

Betty Barrett presented a trumpet selection by Haieff, with Jeanette Hogan at the piano.

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—as pat conway sees it . . .

it happens here

already a queen . . .

in the eyes of Mike Kane is prom queen candidate Marion Lifka who accepted a diamond Wednesday evening. Mike is a Loras student from Dubuque and a brother of senior Mary Ann.

sparkling eyes . . .

and a sparkling finger belong to Mary Cosgrove whose admittance to the diamond circle was recently secured by Dick Locher, a graduate of the University of Iowa.

"digestion . . .

is a subject close to everyone's heart," said biology major Carol Splear. "Gives you heartburn, in other words," retorted Sister Mary Philippa.

not tom or dick . . .

but Harry made Sandy Burgdorfer an engaged as well as an engaging junior. Her fiance is Harry Smith, incoming president of the Student Senate at Loras.

implied polygamy . . .

caused surprise in the finance forum class when Sister Mary St. Maureen said, "You can name your husband beneficiary of your insurance policy, and if you have two it's all the better."

well padded . . .

was the jacket made by Pat Beaty for her spring outfit. She accidentally sewed the paper pattern inside the lining of her creation.

wrong key . . .

was the deduction of Nancy Lee Steffen when she couldn't start the car to take a group of city students home after an evening program last week. Lois Connelly solved the problem by discovering that it was the right key, but the wrong car!

"tread lightly . . .

on your date's toes," Father Lang cautioned girls going to the Loras prom. According to him the Loras students were all "in the faculty's black shoes" for the formal occasion.

oceans of lotion . . .

flooded Rosheks when Maurita Brady went to purchase a bottle of her favorite Jergens. A chain of impossible circumstances caused Maurita to drop three bottles before she finally made it out of the store with a fourth which she later misplaced. She hasn't found it yet, but she's afraid to go after more until she can afford four bottles.

cruel relatives . . .

were intimidated by Josephina Sagel's complaint that her 'uncle' was hurting her. Family troubles left the picture when Josie spelled 'uncle'—a-n-k-l-e.

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Miss Lifka

'Pooh to You' Is Lead Article

Sporting a stylish cover of the summer edition of the Labaru scheduled for distribution on May 11.

Culminating her four year Marion Lifka presents the lead count of A. A. Milne's whimsical animal personalities.

Two "arty" essays will be featured in this issue. Mary Frances Schultz offers her spirited essay, "Apologia Pro Pablo Picasso," in defense of the famous artist, and Carol Sprengelmeyer obtained material for a personal interview, "Art and the Man," from art instructor Edmund Demers.

Pictures Auction
Ruth Ann Bueker draws upon her past experience to show why the pulses of young and old beat faster when the auctioneer chants, "Going, Going, Gone."

A unique venture in amateur musical productions as exhibited by the Quad City Music Guild is the subject of Mary Hilger's "Summer — On Stage!"

Write Fiction
As her final contribution to the fiction department, Kathleen Sullivan presents "Weekend," the story of a self-involved male office worker and a lonely female co-worker. Also presenting her last story to the magazine, Mary Dougherty tells of an imaginative little boy who learns to accept reality after "The Bus Ride."

Editorial Staff of Courier Completed for Next Year

Six Courier staff members have accepted editorial positions for next year. They will work under the new editor-in-chief, Joan Wagner, junior from Bellevue.

Appointed assistant editors are sophomore Shirley Blood, Cedar Rapids, and Judy Werthmann, Davenport. Mary Jo O'Connor, sophomore from Renbeck, will take on the duties of managing editor. She will be assisted by two freshmen, Mona Putnam, St. Paul, Minn., news editor, and Colleen Howard, Denver, Colo., proof editor.

"It Happens Here" will continue to be the byline of Patricia Conway, senior, and another junior, Maurita Brady from Downers Grove, Ill., will assume the business manager.

Dean Elected Secretary of Education Group

Senior Mary Crescentia, BVM, dean, and secretary of the midwest regional Catholic Educational Association as an April meeting in St. Louis, Mo. As secretary she will chair the executive committee of the organization.